

Amend CSHB 3531 (senate committee report) by adding the following appropriately numbered SECTIONS to the bill and renumbering subsequent SECTIONS of the bill accordingly:

SECTION \_\_\_\_\_. Section 502.198(a), Transportation Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) Except as provided by Sections 502.058, 502.060, 502.1911, 502.192, 502.356, ~~[and]~~ 502.357, and 502.360 and Subchapter H, this section applies to all fees collected by a county assessor-collector under this chapter.

SECTION \_\_\_\_\_. Subchapter G, Chapter 502, Transportation Code, is amended by adding Section 502.360 to read as follows:

Sec. 502.360. EQUALIZATION FOR ROAD USE CONSUMPTION FOR ALTERNATIVELY FUELED VEHICLES. (a) In this section:

(1) "Alternatively fueled vehicle" means a motor vehicle that is capable of being powered by a source other than gasoline or diesel fuel.

(2) "Conventionally fueled vehicle" means a motor vehicle that is capable of being powered only by gasoline or diesel fuel.

(3) "Hybrid electric vehicle" means a motor vehicle, including a plug-in hybrid electric motor vehicle, that is capable of being powered by both electricity and gasoline, diesel, or another type of fuel.

(4) "Natural gas vehicle" means a motor vehicle that is capable of being powered by compressed natural gas or liquefied natural gas as fuel.

(5) "Plug-in hybrid electric vehicle" means a vehicle that is capable of being:

(A) powered by a battery that drives an electric motor;

(B) powered by an internal combustion engine, or other propulsion source, that uses gasoline or diesel fuel; and

(C) recharged by plugging into an electrical outlet or electric vehicle charging station.

(b) This section does not apply to a hybrid electric vehicle that is not a plug-in hybrid electric vehicle.

(c) In addition to other fees authorized under this chapter,

at the time of application for registration or renewal of registration of an alternatively fueled vehicle, other than a vehicle subject to a fee under Subsection (d) or (e), the applicant shall pay an additional fee according to the gross weight of the vehicle, as follows:

| <u>Weight Classification in pounds</u> | <u>Fee Schedule</u> |
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| <u>0-6,000</u>                         | <u>\$200</u>        |
| <u>6,001-10,000</u>                    | <u>\$250</u>        |

(d) In addition to other fees authorized under this chapter, at the time of application for registration or renewal of registration of a plug-in hybrid electric vehicle, the applicant shall pay an additional fee according to the gross weight of the vehicle, as follows:

| <u>Weight Classification in pounds</u> | <u>Fee Schedule</u> |
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| <u>0-6,000</u>                         | <u>\$40</u>         |
| <u>6,001-10,000</u>                    | <u>\$50</u>         |

(e) In addition to other fees authorized under this chapter, at the time of application for registration or renewal of registration of a natural gas vehicle, the applicant shall pay an additional fee in an amount equal to the difference between the amounts calculated under Subsections (f)(1) and (2) for that class of vehicle.

(f) The department shall, for each class of natural gas vehicle, calculate:

(1) the average annual amount of taxes imposed under Chapter 162, Tax Code, that a conventionally fueled vehicle of that class would pay; and

(2) the average annual amount of taxes imposed under that chapter that a natural gas vehicle of that class would pay.

(g) The department shall review and update the fee calculated under Subsection (f) at least once every five years.

(h) Fees collected under this section shall be deposited to the credit of the state highway fund.

(i) The board shall adopt rules necessary to administer this section.